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Madison County Commissioners		
Meeting Minutes		
JUNE 10, 2013	8:00 AM	COMMISSIONERS' ROOM
ATTENDEES	Commissioners: Chairman Kimber Ricks, Jon Weber and Todd Smith Deputy Prosecuting Attorney: Troy Evans County Clerk: Kim Muir and Deputy Clerk Karen England	

AGENDA TOPICS

Health and Welfare (Indigent Clerk Elizabeth Boyce):

Commissioner Ricks made a motion to go into Executive Session at 8:11 a.m. pursuant to Idaho Code 67-2345 (1)(d) exempt records. (Commissioner Ricks-yes, Commissioner Weber-yes, Commissioner Smith-yes) Commissioner Ricks returned to Open Session at 8:19 a.m. Commissioner Weber made a motion to sign a Determination to Deny on Case No. 2013028 and sign CAT Assignments on Case Nos. 2012008, 2012019, 2012031, and 2012035. NON-MEDICAL: Sign a Determination to Approve on Case No. N2013010. Commissioner Smith seconded and voting was unanimous.

There was discussion on the Idaho Food Bank making arrangements for a portable food bank coming into the county once a month beginning July 16. Of the total food available, 80% will be perishable food. Madison County has one of the highest poverty levels in the state and they feel our county is in need of the service. They will be in the parking lot of the old Jr. High and people can come by and get food.

Commissioner Ricks made a motion to go into Executive Session at 8:50 a.m. pursuant to Idaho Code 67-2345 (1)(f) exempt records. (Commissioner Ricks-yes, Commissioner Weber-yes, Commissioner Smith-yes) Commissioner Ricks returned to Open Session at 9:10 a.m.

County Business:

Committee and Board Reports:

- Commissioner Weber made a motion to approve the claims presented by the clerk. Commissioner Smith seconded and voting was unanimous.
- Commissioner Weber made a motion to approve the Commissioners Meeting Minutes for May 28, 2013. Commissioner Smith seconded and voting was unanimous.
- Review and sign: Commissioner Ricks made a motion to sign a Certificate of Residency for Sarah K. Powell. Commissioner Weber seconded and voting was unanimous.
- Centennial Update: The first concert in the park was last Thursday and it went well.
- Pat Huish was present to show commissioners the design of the memorial wall in Centennial Park in front of courthouse. The artwork and casts will be prepared by the first part of August, and Pat believes it will be complete around August 15th.
- Commissioner Ricks made a motion to amend the agenda to close out the Parks and Recreation grant to replace the restrooms. Commissioner Smith seconded and voting was unanimous.

- Commissioner Smith made a motion to sign the close out report for Parks and Recreation grant. Commissioner Ricks seconded and voting was unanimous.
- Kirk Mace was present to discuss the float for the 4th of July parade. The theme of the float will be “Celebrating our Journey, Madison County 1913-2013”. Human props will be used to portray a BYU-I professor, a family, construction worker, farmer, business person, and someone dressed as an Idaho spud. They will be handing out Idaho Spud candy bars and are hoping to pull the float with an old-time tractor.
- Sign Resolution #363 Fixed Assets Capitalization Policy. Commissioner Weber made a motion to sign Resolution #363 Fixed Assets Capitalization Policy. Commissioner Ricks seconded and voting was unanimous.
- Monitoring of the parking lot was discussed. Police Chief Shane Turman and City Prosecutor Stephen Zollinger were present to discuss this issue. There is a Lease Agreement between the County and Urban Renewal. Urban Renewal then leased the lot to the City for 30 years. The City will monitor the lots according to their restrictions. Signage for the parking lot will fall under Buildings and Grounds and Shauna will coordinate with Dedee at the City and Dave Walrath at Road and Bridge.

Brent Saurey – Tax Issues:

Amber Coglianese - Homeowners Exemption/544 Golden Willow Drive, Rexburg, ID. Amber and her family are new to Rexburg and didn't understand the Idaho laws regarding the homeowner exemption and missed the deadline. She had extenuating circumstances with a father-in-law passing away, moving with five children and her husband completing his Master's Degree. The matter will be taken under advisement.

Richard Brady – Commissioners commented that deadlines are set for a reason by State Statute. The property was rented during a portion of the year and would not be exempt.

Michael and Heather Allen - They are over three years behind on taxes. They will need to sign up for a hardship consideration and fill out forms so the commissioners have further information.

Reed Moss is requesting the same exemption as last year. Teton Museum owns 30% and the university owns 30%.

ITD Interchange – Interchange Corridor Planning:

David Alvarez, Mike Mckee and Jeremy Hunting were present to discuss the ITD Interchange. Joel Jenkins and his wife, owners of the Thornton Shell Station, were also present. The County has an interest in the economic impact of the placement of the interchange. Consensus of the group is that they are not interested in a frontage road, but they would like to protect the tax base of commercial property in that area. Whatever goes into the project needs to be put into the Transportation plan. There has been discussion of a pigtail at or near 4300 West. An environmental document that was approved in 2005 shows that many of the accesses would be deleted to lessen the life-threatening accidents that were occurring.

ITD is also concerned with the businesses at the current accesses and will keep them in their plan. They would like to do a joint venture planning meeting and make it a win - win situation for all of those involved. There are silo's that may be eligible for the Register of Historic Buildings, but at some point they could become a safety hazard. Union Pacific also owns some land in the area. There are four graves that will also need to be moved or dealt with. David suggests putting a workshop together with the business owners to encourage cooperation between business owners, county and city leaders and ITD. The environmental document may also need to be redone. This

document is good for three years, but as long as they are doing work it won't expire. ITD is temporarily doing alignments on the pigtail and a temporary frontage road. There is concern for Lone Pine, the Fed Ex facility, Western Fence and Teton West. David expressed concern with the budget and how it will fit into freeway entrances and getting cars on the highway at the rate of speed they need to be when merging. The pigtail and the 4300 West interchange are part of the plan. There will be a more solid estimate, but the Transportation Plan will take about a year to complete.

Dan Roberts expressed concern about perceived favoritism. Commissioners pointed out that they are protecting the tax base of the county and considering all businesses within the county. David stated that they genuinely want to hear from the public, businesses and all involved.

Steve Hawkes – Sugar City Planning & Zoning/Sugar Impact Zone:

Two years ago they updated the impact area. There will be growth and most of the land will be agricultural. They are requesting changes in zoning. There was a public hearing against the advice of their attorney. Two people showed up and neither complained; they just wanted to be informed. He presented maps of the impact area. He will need to do a Findings of Fact which Shauna can help with. He stated nobody testified at the public hearing.

Public Comment:

Dan Roberts voiced complaints regarding the people involved with Envision Utah. Dan Roberts read quotes by Walter Williams from a book and presented the book to Commissioner Weber.

Kelly McKamey asked about Centennial Celebration costs. Commissioner Ricks stated the total budget for the entire celebration is in excess of \$300,000, with only \$10,000 projected to come from the County general fund. The remainder is from donations. The public has been very supportive and enthusiastic.

He expressed concern about individuals on the Envision Madison Committee. Commissioner Ricks stated he is glad both Kelly and Dan are involved. Kelly is concerned about the implementation as he has seen what they are doing elsewhere. He stated after the kick off next week Scott Johnson is planning on answering questions.

Dave Walrath – Road & Bridge Issues:

Dick Dyer was also present. Dave picked up the counter on the road by Val Moss in Thornton. He stated 85% drove 17 mph. The highest hit was 138 on May 28th, and the lowest was 58 on June 2nd. Dave's recommendation is to re-build the road and put mac chloride on it. Parcels are not worth anything to anybody other than property owners. Following are options for the road:

Option 1 – leave as is.

Option 2 – paving it which means have to put in cul de sac so it can be plowed in winter - \$40,000.

Option 3 – rebuild road with gravel and put mac chlorine on so dust won't be an issue - \$16,000.

Option 4 – Dispose of parcels to homeowners and would establish easement thru the roads.

It was never intended to be a road or right of way when it was originally made. Dave would like to realign the road.

They would like to fix it with a cul de sac and realignment would be the best choice. If you vacate, it can go back to the adjacent land owner. A solution was discussed. Troy stated that it can be done by a resolution. Commissioners would like to have the homeowners come in at the

next meeting so they can discuss a permanent solution. Todd will talk to Val Moss and let the neighbors know that we have an offer and need them to come in.

Dave reported that the Dura Patcher is working out very well. They are leasing but will end up buying it. Dave explained the lease agreement.

Solid Waste improvements were discussed.

Executive Session:

Commissioner Ricks made a motion to go into executive session at 2:35 p.m. pursuant to Idaho Code 67-2345 (b)(e) exempt records. (Commissioner Ricks-yes, Commissioner Weber-yes, Commissioner Smith-yes). Commissioner Ricks returned to Open Session at 3:02 p.m. Commissioner Ricks read letters he received in mail.

Commissioner Smith made a motion to deny tax exemption for Richard Brady. Commissioner Ricks seconded and voting was unanimous.

Commissioner Weber made a motion to deny homeowners' exemption for Amber Coglianesse for years 2012-2013. Commissioner Smith seconded and voting was unanimous.

Commissioner Weber moved to adjourn the meeting at 3:35 p.m. Commissioner Smith seconded and voting was unanimous.

Approved:

Kimber Ricks, Commission Chairman

Jon Weber, Commissioner

Todd Smith, Commissioner